

Brute Force

The brute force approach tries every possible combination to check for a solution, without leveraging any special properties or optimizations of the data (such as sorted order). Typically involves:

- Nested loops
 - Outer Loop traverses the array for the first element of the pair
 - Inner Loop traverses the rest of the array to find second element
- Recursion

Drawbacks:

- **Time Complexity:** Typically $O(n^2)$ or slower, impractical for large datasets.
- **Redundancy:** Many computations are repeated unnecessarily

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Target: 35. Starting brute force search...

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def brute_force_two_sum(nums, target):  
    # Iterate through each element in the list  
    for i in range(len(nums)):  
        # For each element, check every other element that comes after it  
        for j in range(i + 1, len(nums)):  
            # Check if the current pair sums to the target  
            if nums[i] + nums[j] == target:  
                return (i, j) # Return the indices as a tuple  
    # If no pair is found that adds up to the target, return None  
    return None  
  
# Example usage:  
nums = [2, 7, 11, 15]
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target = 9
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result = brute_force_two_sum(nums, target)
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if result:
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    print("Pair found at indices:", result)
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else:
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    print("No pair found that adds up to the target.")
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